CIVIL COVER SHEET

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS (b) County of Residence of First Listed I (EXCEPT IN U.S.	Plaintiff PLAINTIFF CASES)		DEFENDAN County of Reside	TS	
			County of Reside		
(c) Attorney's (Firm Name, Address, an	nd Telephone Number)		NOTE: IN LAN	nce of First Listed (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASE D CONDEMNATION CASES, U INVOLVED.	,
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Plaintiff (U G 2 U.S. Government Defendant G 4 Dive	ral Question J.S. Government Not a Party)	(For Di Citizen	ZENSHIP OF P versity Cases Only) of This State	DEF 1 G 1 Incorporated or of Business In 2 G 2 Incorporated and	Seplace an "X" in One Box for Plaintil and One Box for Defendant) DEF Principal Place G 4 G 4 This State d Principal Place G 5 G 5 Another State
	,		or Subject of a G	3 G 3 Foreign Nation	G 6 G 6
IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place	an "X" in One Box Only)	Forei	ign Country		
CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFI	EITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
	ne Product ty G 362 Personal Injury— Med. Malpractic ty Product Liability e G 368 Asbestos Person Injury Product Liability e PERSONAL PROPEI ty G 370 Other Fraud Vehicle ty G 380 Other Personal Property Damag et Liability G 385 Property Damag	G 620 G 625 y G 630 G 640 G 650 G 660 RTY G 690	O Agriculture O Other Food & Drug Drug Related Seizure O Property 21 USC O Liquor Laws O R.R. & Truck O Airline Regs. O Occupational Safety/Health O Other LABOR O Fair Labor Standards Act	G 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 G 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS G 820 Copyrights 6 830 Patent 6 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY G 861 HIA (1395ff) 6 862 Black Lung (923)	G 400 State Reapportionment G 410 Antitrust G 430 Banks and Banking G 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc. G 460 Deportation G 470 Racketeer Influenced and
G 195 Contract Product Liability G 360 Othe Injury		G /20		G 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) G 864 SSID Title XVI	G 893 Environmental Matters G 894 Energy Allocation Act
REAL PROPERTY G 210 Land Condemnation G 220 Foreclosure G 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment G 240 Torts to Land G 245 Tort Product Liability G 290 All Other Real Property CIVIL R G 441 Voting G 442 Emplo G 443 Housin Accon G 444 Welfan G 440 Other (a)	G 510 Motions to Vaca Sentence Habeas Corpus: G 530 General G 535 Death Penalty	G 730 G 740 G 790 Other G 791	Dabor/Mgmt.Reporting & Disclosure Act Disclosure Act Other Labor Litigation Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act		G 895 Freedom of Information Act G 900 Appeal of Fee Determinational Access to Justice G 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes G 890 Other Statutory Actions
V. ORIGIN (PLACE AN "X" II G ¹ Original Proceeding G ² Removed from State Court	ONE BOX ONLY) G 3 Remanded from Appellate Court	G ⁴ Reinsta Reopen	another ted or G 5 (specification)	erred from r district y) G ⁶ Multidistr Litigation	
VI. CAUSE OF ACTION Do not of	U.S. Civil Statute under which you are f cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversit	y.)			
VII. REQUESTED IN G CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23		ON DEM	IAND \$	CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint: JURY DEMAND: G Yes G No	
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS-44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- **I.** (a) **Plaintiffs-Defendants.** Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b.) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- **II. Jurisdiction**. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States, are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

- **III. Residence** (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS-44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- **IV. Nature of Suit.** Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section IV below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerks in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.

 $Transferred \ from \ Another \ District. \ (5) \ For \ cases \ transferred \ under \ Title \ 28 \ U.S.C. \ Section \ 1404(a) \ Do \ not \ use \ this \ for \ within \ district \ transfers \ or \ multidistrict \ litigation \ transfers.$

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment. (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause.
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

Demand. In this space enter the dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) being demanded or indicate other demand such as a preliminary injunction.

Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS-44 is used to reference related pending cases if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.